

REGIONAL CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL
MINUTES
September 25, 2007

CALL TO ORDER at 10:05 AM

APPROVAL of MINUTES for August, 2007 by consensus.

GUEST PRESENTATION – COVE

RCCC members received information on the Cove program operated by San Diego Youth and Community Services (SDYCS) serving youth ages 12-18. In summary, the program reaches approximately 40-50 youth at a time, providing outreach, treatment and support to SED teens. Trauma is a significant issues for homeless persons, especially youth. Cove offers a variety of services, can assist individuals in multiple languages and can also serve individuals who are underinsured, uninsured, Medical eligible, or through MHSA flexible funds. Assertive outreach, clinical treatment, and social support help to address the special needs of youth on their own who suffer from mental /emotional disorders.

STEERING COMMITTEE

Subcommittee Roles – The RCCC voted unanimously (4 abstaining) to approve new subcommittee structure and roles as described in the material distributed in August.

Annual Calendar of activities – Members were advised that the annual cycle for completing a competitive Super NOFA begins in November. Since the Employment Forum is the focus for the October meeting, RCCC members are reminded to start planning for the activities that occur between November and February.

HUD / OIG Preparation – San Diego Training opportunity – HUD is sponsoring an important workshop on fund accounting and tracking of HUD grants. Agencies that receive HUD funds should send the individual who tracks funds to this free training on October 18th. Good attendance will encourage HUD to provide additional technical assistance in San Diego – instead of requiring travel to Los Angeles. All organizations are strongly encouraged to attend.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- Employment Committee – Forum information –Jack Miklos and Dave Siegler – Presenters for the October Employment Forum have been arranged. The forum, called a Workforce Development Fair will be held at the Salvation Army – Door of Hope on Health Center Drive. This forum replaces the regular meeting of the RCCC for October. Please plan on attending and invite job developers, project managers, resource specialists and case managers to attend as well.
- Data Committee – Deborah Lester – notified agencies that data quality reports will be issued for the end (Oct 1, 2006 through Sept 30, 2007). All client level data for this year should be entered by Oct. 5th. Please review and complete missing data by that date. Workshops for HMIS are offered on Sept. 27 and 28th. Contact RTFH for more information. Five RCCC members from five agencies

volunteered to join the Data Quality committee: Crisis House, St Claire's, VOA, Catholic Charities, and St. Vincent de Paul.

- Homeless Representative Task Group – Patti Hamic Christensen – report pending.
- Legislative / Advocacy – Rosemary Johnson, Kathy Houck, Hannah Cohen- At the federal level: The current edition of the Community Partnership to End Homelessness has proposed changes to the definition of chronic homeless. The revision, if approved, would include un accompanied youth, families, 'couch surfers', and individuals who are in the care of public institutions if they qualified as chronically homeless at the time they entered the institution. Also, the revised edition would not require a collaborative applicant to be a legal entity. The HUD appropriations bill has passed the Senate with a \$1.586 billion. HUD recently released a report on the Housing First model that includes the San Diego REACH program. A link to the report, [The Applicability of Housing First Models to Homeless Persons with Serious Mental Illness](#), is found at the [HUD.Gov/Newswebsite](#).
- Rating and Ranking – Shanda Roberts – report pending.
- Manual Preparation Group – Angela Bull – Work is moving forward. The committee meets again this week.
- Population Estimate / (Homeless Count) – John Thelen – Plans are moving forward for the enumeration which will occur during the last week of January. Caity Riddle, CRC, will assist by organizing enumerators for the north coast.
- Housing Liaisons – The Annual Affordable Housing Conference will be held on October 12th and Point Loma Nazarene University, This year's theme is Green Housing. registration is available online.
- Logic Model – Simonne Ruff will be on leave from mid October through March. John Derryberry, Townspeople volunteered to lead this subgroup during her absence. Pat Getzel, Consultant, will be the contact at the Corporation for Supportive Housing in the interim.

OTHER ITEMS / ANNOUNCEMENT

- Emergency Housing Assistance Program (EHAP) - Draft information available from Sara Lantz at United Way.
- Project Homeless Connect – RTFH – Dec.3rd – Golden Hall. Contact John or Keifer for details.
- Townspeople - 54th St Project Open House, October 15th · See email for details.
- Trinity Homes / Second Chance – SOS event
- Domestic Violence “Not to be Forgotten” Rally and awareness walk is set for Oct 3rd starting at 11:00 Am from 8th and Broadway.
- Catholic Charities, Episcopal Community Services, and the YWCA are sponsoring the Women Together luncheon on Nov. 8th. Contact Martha Ranson, Catholic Charities for more information.
- San Diego Rescue Mission is offering a free health fair on Sept 29th.
- Retirements: Betsy Morris, San Diego Housing Commission and Al Pavich, Veterans Village of San Diego are both retiring this year. The RCCC acknowledges their tremendous work on behalf of housing and homelessness in our region.

NEXT MEETING: EMPLOYMENT FORUM, OCT, 30th

.ADJOURNMENT